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Sent: Fri, 11 Feb 2022 18:54:21 -0500
To: McDonald, Terry-Lynn; Lucki, Brenda; Duheme, Michael; Flynn, Mark
Subject: RE: Q US Tow Truck Coordination

Yes correct!

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Thanks, sending to CBSA now.

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Terry-Lynn,

I would say it is as per below in Coutts:

"...local tow truck operators have faced intimidation by protestors, particularly from the trucking community. As a result, the Canadian law enforcement agencies are unable to secure sufficient assistance from towing operators to assist in removing personal vehicles, tractor trailers, farm implements and other heavy equipment from protest blockade sites. "

Brenda

----- Original message -----

From: "McDonald, Terry-Lynn" <Terry-Lynn.McDonald@rcmp-grc.gc.ca>
Date: 2022-02-11 17:26 (GMT-05:00)

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I received the following request from John Ossowski's office. Any updates to what they can provide?

Thanks,
Terry-Lynn

From: Johnston, Jag <Jag.Johnston@cbsa-asfc.gc.ca>
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Hi Terry-Lynn,

Min Blair's office is asking for an update on discussions with the US and use of US tow trucks. The below is what we know as of 10:30am today, but realize this is more of a police/RCMP matter so wanted to defer to you to provide latest update or I can share the below if you are comfortable with that. I would only provide the portion highlighted in yellow unless you have more up to date info.

Please let me know.

Thanks,
Jag

Latest on tow truck coordination:

- The CBSA was advised by law enforcement partners (RCMP at Coutts, Windsor Police at the Windsor Ambassador Bridge), that local tow truck operators have faced intimidation by protestors, particularly from the trucking community. As a result, the Canadian law enforcement agencies are unable to secure sufficient assistance from towing operators to assist in removing personal vehicles, tractor trailers, farm implements and other heavy equipment from protest blockade sites.
- The RCMP had sought the assistance of US towing companies based in Montana to provide assistance in the removal of vehicles north of Coutts AB. The CBSA was engaged in the discussions and has confirmed that the CBSA would permit the entry of foreign tow truck operators and their equipment to assist the RCMP due to the ongoing safety and security situation. The operators would be granted entry to Canada without a work permit to their role in supporting the emergency services engaged in disrupting the protest activity.
- On the evening of February 9, 2022, the State of Michigan had made it known to the Government of Canada that tow truck operators in Southeastern Michigan were available to

provide support to the Windsor Police Service for any enforcement operation in the area of the Windsor Ambassador Bridge. The CBSA provided this information to the Windsor Police Service as well as the Mayor of the City of Windsor to incorporate this capacity into their operational planning. The CBSA remains able to facilitate the entry of foreign tow truck operators and their equipment to assist with dismantling the protest blockade that is currently impeding the Ambassador Bridge. On February 10, 2022, the CBSA has learned from the Windsor Police Service that the State of Michigan did not have towing operators available to assist in Canada. A request through PCO was initiated to re-engage with the Governor of Michigan to reconfirm her earlier commitment.